

State of North Carolina



BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE
GOVERNOR

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

2009

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, women of every race, class, and ethnic background have made historic contributions to the growth and strength of North Carolina in countless recorded and unrecorded ways; and

WHEREAS, women have played and continue to play a critical economic, cultural, political, and social role in every sphere of the life of the State and the Nation; and

WHEREAS, women have been critical to the establishment of early charitable, philanthropic, and cultural institutions in North Carolina;

WHEREAS, women constitute a significant portion of the labor force working inside and outside of the home, and have made tremendous impacts as business leaders, legal scholars, educators and in all sectors of the workforce; and

WHEREAS, American women have been leaders, not only in securing their own rights of suffrage and equal opportunity, but also in the abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the industrial labor movement, the civil rights movement, the peace movement, and other movements which create a more fair and just society for all; and

WHEREAS, the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, have designated March as "Women's History Month;"

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim March 2009, as "**WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH**" in North Carolina, and call upon the citizens of this State to observe and commemorate Women's History Month with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.



A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "B. Eaves Perdue".

BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this twenty-fourth day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand and nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty third.